

store and implement sheds, one store and implement shed, 480 chains farm tracks, and two culverts. Progress : 200 acres clearing, 80 acres grassed, cultivation programme completed. 150 chains fencing renewed, one house and one wool-shed repaired, 150 chains farm tracks and two culverts completed.

Waipa, at Te Awamutu, 240 acres. Acquired : May, 1949. Objective : Three dairy units for allotment July, 1950. Development Programme : 50 chains widening and deepening of drains, 300 chains fencing, three sets buildings, three water-supplies, electrical reticulation, 40 chains access roading, and five crossings. Progress : Eight chains of drains widened and deepened, fences and buildings almost completed, two water-supplies completed and one commenced, road under construction.

Wairama, at Kiwitahi, 685 acres. Acquired : March, 1948. Objective : Four dairy-farms—one for allotment July, 1949, three for allotment July, 1950 : one sheep-farm for allotment March, 1952. Development Programme : 56 chains drains, 6 chains widening and deepening, 260 acres clearing and grassing, 230 acres cultivation, 818 chains fencing, 315 chains renewal of fencing, renovate one house, one wool-shed, and one store and implement shed, four water-supplies, extensions to one water-supply, 38 chains farm tracks, 68 chains access roading, four bridges and seven culverts, four houses, four cow-sheds. Progress : 200 acres cleared and grassed, cultivation programme completed, 453 chains of fencing, 256 chains of fences renewed, three houses completed, four bridges, seven culverts, and access roading constructed. Other buildings nearing completion. One ex-serviceman on fixed charges from July, 1949.

Waingaruru, at Mairoa, 11,593 acres. Acquired : Reverted Crown leases and acquisitions between 1933 and 1949. Objective : Possibly eight sheep-farms—two for allotment April, 1950, three March, 1951, and three March, 1952. Remainder of area indefinite. Development Programme : 300 chains widening and deepening of drains, 250 acres clearing, 500 acres cultivation, 286 acres grassing, general pasture improvement, 725 chains fencing, 1,810 chains renewal of existing fencing, three houses, six store and implement sheds, seven sets sheep-yards, renovate four houses, 94 chains internal access, fifteen bridges, sixteen culverts, and thirty stock crossings. Progress : 200 chains drainage, 250 acres clearing, 500 acres cultivation, 286 acres grassing, 600 chains fencing, 955 chains fencing renewed, one dwelling, three dwellings renovated, two store and implement sheds, sixteen culverts and thirty stock crossings. Two ex-servicemen on fixed charges from March, 1950.

Walton, at Walton, 422 acres. Acquired : March, 1948. Objective : Four dairy-farms for allotment July, 1949. Development Programme : 110 chains widening and deepening drains, 240 chains fencing, 160 chains renewal of fencing, four sets buildings, three water-supplies, extensions to existing water-supply, 32 chains internal access, culverts and crossings. Progress : Completed. Four ex-servicemen on fixed charges from July, 1949.

Wharepapa, at Te Awamutu, balance of area, 1,337 acres. Acquired : June, 1938. Objective : Three sheep-farms—one for allotment July, 1949, one for allotment May, 1950, one mixed farm for allotment 1952. Development Programme for remaining area : Includes 90 acres cultivation, 100 acres clearing and grassing, 300 acres reconditioning of existing pasture, 400 chains new fencing, 100 chains repairs to fencing, four houses, four store and implement sheds, one cow-shed, one piggery, re-erection of shearers' quarters, extensions to water-supply and two culverts. Progress : Cultivation programme complete—80 acres cleared and grassed and 250 acres reconditioned. Three hundred and forty chains fences, 50 chains fences repaired, four houses, and four store and implement sheds completed. Extension to water-supply commenced. Two ex-servicemen on fixed charges from July, 1949 ; one ex-serviceman on wages with promise of a section.

Wharoua, at Te Kuiti, balance of area, 489 acres. Acquired : April, 1944. Is largely swamp on which extensive drainage by Mangapu Drainage Board will be required before settlement can be effected. Meanwhile, work will consist of maintenance and care of stock.

ROTORUA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Atiamuri, at Rotorua, 12,236 acres. Acquired : 986 acres May, 1947, 10,152 acres May, 1948, and 1,098 acres July, 1948. Objective : Six dairy farms, 1,110 acres for allotment July, 1950. Utilization and subdivision of the remaining area not yet finally schemed. Development Programme : Long-term development project involving extensive clearing and grassing, fencing, buildings, and water-supplies. Progress : 3,400 acres cleared and grassed, 800 chains new fencing, seven water-supply bores drilled. Work has commenced on erection of six sets of farm buildings.

Edgecumbe, at Edgecumbe, 7,308 acres. Acquired : August, 1936. Objective : Utilization and subdivision not yet finally schemed. Development Programme : Long-term development project involving re-establishment of pastures badly reverted owing to lack of fertilizer during the war years. Progress : Development has been confined in the main to re-establishing pastures, fencing to allow adequate stocking, and reticulating areas which were without water. No settlement will be possible until 1952 at least.

Fairview, at Waimana, 1,978 acres. Acquired : June, 1945. Objective : Two dairy-farms for allotment July, 1950, and two sheep-farms for allotment July, 1952. Development Programme : Grassing, fencing, buildings, roading, and water-supplies. Progress : 300 chains new fencing, 200 chains fencing re-erected, access road formed, and work started on two sets of farm buildings. Pastures on sheep country are being reconditioned with heavy stocking, oversowing, and top-dressing. Ex-serviceman share-milker employed with promise of a dairy section.